



State of Utah DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING

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October 20, 1997

CERTIFIED RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED No. P 074 976 881

Wendell Owen Co-Op Mining Company P. O. Box 1245 Huntington, Utah 84528

Re:

Water Monitoring Data Review, Birch Springs, Bear Canyon Mine, ACT/015/025,

Folder #3, Emery County, Utah - Extension of Time to Respond

Dear Mr. Owen:

Mr. Charles Reynolds of your staff contacted me on October 17, 1997, to request an extension to the requirement to respond to the September 17, 1997 letter within 30 days of receipt. This request requires an analysis for apparent loss of flow at the Birch Springs in accordance with Technical Directive 005, Review and Interpretation of Water Monitoring Data. The Division is hereby granting an extension from October 20 to October 24, 1997. The rationale for extension is based upon difficulties correlating data gathered from two sources and the extra time should allow for contacting parties responsible for some of the data collection which is being called into question.

We look forward to receiving your analysis on October 24, 1997.

Sincerely,

Mary Ann Wright

Associate Director of Mining

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cc:

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